

New Lebanon Conservation Advisory Council
Minutes for Meeting on February 12, 2024

In attendance: Peg Munves & Bill O'Neill, co-chairs; Bruce Shenker, Don Lamonaca and Tyler Fogg, members. Attending on zoom: Steve Powers

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 pm and the minutes for the January meeting were approved.

Update of DWSP2. The Council received a new printed update of the Plan from M. Theresa Julian Source Water Protection Specialist from the NY Rural Water Association. There was a discussion of the status of acceptance of the Plan by DEC, which is pending further information on an inventory of roads affecting the aquifer and Emergency Planning.

A discussion was also held about the CAC's February 10th presentation at the New Lebanon Library on water testing. Approximately 40 residents attended the meeting and many subsequently signed up for testing

Potential new CAC member Lori Krane: pending an interview with committee and submission to Town Clerk of a letter of interest.

Update on CEA for aquifer: on hold at present due to developing the DWSP2.

Update on Wastewater Feasibility Study Grant: pending at the time of the meeting and has subsequently been approved, pending the Town's matching funds.

Update on Invasive Plant Removal Presentation at the New Lebanon Library scheduled for March 16th: invitations have been sent out to other CAC's in the county.

Update on Hazard Mitigation Plan: The New Lebanon CSC & CAC will work together to assist Columbia County in a draft plan

Committee Updates:

Planning Board, CSC, ZRC & other committees: Nothing new.

Other business: Shaker Swamp – meeting pending with Darrow School to discuss preservation options.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:52 pm. Next meeting is scheduled for March 11, 2024, at 6:30. Respectfully submitted by Bill O'Neill